House Resolution No. 1173

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are proud and pleased to recognize marriage as one of the cornerstones of a vibrant and healthy society; and

Whereas, the members feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize Missouri couples who have enjoyed the benefits marriage offers; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Dr. Richard and Barbara Crumley, of St. Joseph, Missouri, who celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on March 1, 2008, at Stoney Creek Inn, surrounded by family and friends; and

Whereas, Richard Crumley took the hand of his beautiful bride, Barbara Durham, during a solemn ceremony held on March 2, 1958, at the First Christian Church in Fredonia, Kansas; and

Whereas, Dr. Crumley is a retired professor of biology at Missouri Western State University, where he taught for thirty-four years and served as chairman of the department for seventeen years; and

Whereas, Barbara Crumley is a retired teacher from the St. Joseph School District, where she also served as Special Education Aide and volunteer, a retired Director of Preschool and Parents Day Out programs for Wyatt Park Christian Church, and is currently a teacher of cosmetology at Pittsburg State College; and

Whereas, Dr. Crumley is a member of the Pony Expressmen and Voices of America Barbershop Chorus, was a sponsor of New Generations Singers for seventeen years and sponsor of Wyatt Park Christian CYF Youth, the current chairman of Trails West Art Festival, and currently serves as board member and vice president of the Allied Arts Council, and he is the proud recipient of the Distinguished Faculty Award from the Alumni Association of Missouri West State University; and

Whereas, Barbara Crumley was a sponsor the New Generations Singers, a volunteer at Wyatt Park Christian Church CYF and mission work trips, and a volunteer for Trails West Arts Festival; and

Whereas, Dr. Richard and Barbara Crumley have been blessed with a wonderful family which includes their children Angela, David and his wife, Janet, and they are the devoted grandparents two children, Ben and Caleb:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations to Dr. and Barbara Crumley on the illustrious occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary, with our best wishes for many more happy years together; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Dr. Richard and Barbara Crumley.

Offered by ______ Representative Rob Schaaf

District No. 28

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1173, adopted March 19, 2008.